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1. MISSION FAILS UNDERSTAND SENSE OF REF. A. BELIEVE THIS TYPE OF DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY NOW PUTS US RIGHT BACK ON SQUARE ONE GIVEN EXCHANGE OF PREVIOUS MESSAGES. (REF C). DETAILS OF PROGRAM AND JUSTIFICATION AMPLY EXPLAINED IN THE NARCOTICS ACTION PLAN (REF B) WHICH DEPARTMENT APPROVED IN STATE 140907 OF JUNE 29, 1974 AND STATE 245086 OF NOVEMBER 7, 1974. NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOE COMPLETED AND PROJECT AGREEMENT NOW READY FOR SIGNATURE IS CONCURRENT WITH NARCOTICS CONTROL ACTION PLAN. WE HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED AN OFFICIAL REQUEST FROM THE NATIONAL POLICE (APR 9) ASKING FOR A DATE OF PRO/AG SIGNING AND CHARGE WAS AGAIN ASKED ABOUT MATTER DURING COURSE OF COURTESY CALL ON NEW NATIONAL POLICE CHIEF APRIL 15. WE HAVE REQUESTED APPROPRIATE FUNDS SINCE JANUARY 29, 1975 (REF D) WITH MONTHLY FOLLOW-UPS. (REFS E AND F). WE WONDER WHY THESE QUESTIONS NOW RAISED REF A NOT ASKED EARLIER?

2. ACCEEDING TO DEPARTMENT WISHES FOR REPETITION OF PLANS FOR FY 75 PROJECT AGREEMENT WHICH, TO OUR MIND, ARE ALREADY APPROVED WE PROVIDE BELOW OBJECTIVES OF FY 75 AGREEMENT: A. IMPROVE THE CAPABILITY OF THE NARCOTICS SERVICE OF THE NATIONAL
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POLICE TO: 1) MAKE TIMELY INVESTIGATION OF SUSPECTED OR

KNOWN PLANTATIONS, PROCESSING LABORATORIES, EXPORTATION, SALE, OR TRANSFER OR THEFT OF NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS ANYWHERE IN THE NATIONAL TERRITORY. 2) ARREST AND OBTAIN EVIDENCE FOR PROSECUTION OF PERSONS ENGAGED IN ILLEGAL TRAFFIC IN DRUGS. 3) FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATIONS OF PERSONS ARRESTED OR IDENTIFIED AS TRAFFICKERS BY OTHER SECTIONS OF THE POLICE OR OTHER AGENCIES SUCH AS CUSTOMS OR THE ARMED FORCES, IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY AND APPREHEND OTHER PERSONS INVOLVED IN SUCH CRIMINAL CONSPIRACIES. 4) COOPERATE IN THE INVESTIGATION OF DRUG TRAFFICKING CASES, AND EXCHANGE DRUG CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION WITH OTHER NATIONAL AGENCIES CONCERNED WITH THE ENFORCEMENT OF DRUG LAWS, INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES, AND ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF OTHER COUNTRIES. 5) OBTAIN DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THE IMPORTATION, SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF CHEMICALS USED IN THE ILLEGAL PROCESSING OF NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS. INVESTIGATE ALL CASES WHERE THE PURCHASER IS NOT A LICENSED OR KNOWN MANUFACTURER OR PERSON WHO HAS A LEGITIMATE USE FOR THOSE PARTICULAR CHEMICALS, SOLVENTS OR COMPOUNDS IN THE QUANTITIES PURCHASED. 6) FOLLOW-UP IN PROSECUTION, TRIALS, AND SENTENCING TO ASSURE THAT THE NARCOTICS LAWS ARE BEING PROPERLY ENFORCED. B. IMPROVE THE CAPABILITY OF THE NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE UNIT OF THE NATIONAL POLICE, NARCOTICS SERVICE FOR COLLECTING, ANALYZING, AND DISSEMINATING CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE RELATING TO THE ILLICIT TRAFFIC IN DRUGS. C. PERFECT THE SYSTEM OF DRUG CASE REPORTING AND CONTROLS TO PROVIDE: A) CROSS INDEXING INFORMATION FOR ALL THE SUSPECTS AND THE VEHICLES USED BY THEM; B) RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CASE ASSIGNMENTS AND SUPERVISION TO INSURE COMPLETE AND TIMELY INVESTIGATIONS OF ALL CASES; C) PROCEDURES FOR THE SAFE STORAGE, TRANSFER, AND EXAMINATION OF EVIDENCE. D. INCREASE THE CAPABILITY OF THE NATIONAL POLICE TO LOCATE AND DESTROY PLANTATIONS OF OPIUM POPPY, COCA AND MARIHUANA AND TO DISCOVER PROCESSING PLANTS FOR THESE NARCOTIC PLANTS. INCREASE PATROLS, MOBILE INSPECTIONS, AND CONTROLS ON HIGHWAYS AND SECONDARY ROADS IN RURAL AREAS OF PROVINCES IN WHICH OPIUM POPPY, COCA, AND MARIHUANA ARE GROWN AND DRUGS OR RAW MATERIALS FOR THE PROCESSING OF DRUGS ARE TRANSPORTED. E. CONTINUE COURSES AT ESTABLISHED TRAINING SCHOOLS, AND IN-SERVICE TRAINING IN LINE UNITS, THAT INCLUDE NARCOTICS RECOGNITION AND INVESTIGATION; AND TECHNIQUES USED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BY TRAFFICKERS TO HIDE, TRANSFER, TRANSPORT, AND PROCESS NARCOTICS AND INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION AND REPORTING. F. TO IMPROVE THE ENFORCEMENT OF NARCOTICS LAWS, INSTITUTIONALIZE A SYSTEM OF REGULAR INSPECTIONS AND REPORTING ON NARCOTICS ACTIVITIES OF THE NATIONAL POLICE BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OR HIS DELEGATE. TO REPORT THE STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES AND NEEDS OF NARCOTIC EFFORTS IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE OVER-ALL NATIONAL POLICE NARCOTICS CONTROL OPERATION. TO INVESTIGATE,

ESTABLISH RESPONSIBILITY AND TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION OF ABUSES, IMPROPER CONDUCT, OR FAILURE TO TAKE ACTION ON THE PART OF PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO NARCOTICS WORK. TO CARRY OUT THESE OBJECTIVES THE PROCUREMENT OF \$100,000 OF COMMODITIES ARE NEEDED AS FOLLOWS:

10 VEHICLES	59.000
10 MOBILE RADIO UNITS	24.000
10 WALKIE TALKIES	8.900
4 SIGNAL DEVICES	2.300
17 REVOLVERS	1.200
GENERAL - 3 FILING	
CABINETS SAFE TYPE	4.000

8,000 TO COVER LOCAL TRAVEL AND EXPENDITURES FOR ITEMS NEEDED FOR TRAINING PURPOSES.

3. WISH REMIND DEPARTMENT THAT PROJECT AGREEMENT RAN OUT FEBRUARY 26 AS STATED REFS E AND F. AS DEPARTMENT KNOWS GETTING THE GOE TO FOCUS ON IMPORTANT OF NARCOTICS PROGRAM AND ESTABLISH WORK PLAN TARGETS IS A DIFFICULT AND ARDUOUS PROCESS. CONTINUING DELAYS OF SIGNING THIS YEARS'S PROJECT AGREEMENT JEOPARDIZES OUR CREDIBILITY, JUST AT A TIME WHEN RECENTLY PROMULGATED POLICE REORGANIZATION OFFERS OPPORTUNITY FOR SERIOUS PROGRESS.

4. FINALLY, WE WOULD BE LESS THAN CANDID IF WE DID NOT COMMENT ON THE TONE OF RECENT EXCHANGES WITH THE DEPARTMENT ON THE SUBJECT IN WHICH IT WOULD APPEAR THAT ONUS IS BEING PLACED ON THIS MISSION TO REPEATEDLY JUSTIFY A PROGRAM DESIGNED TO MEET A PROBLEM OF NATIONAL U.S. CONCERN. THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THAT THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT NARCOTICS TRAFFIC FROM ECUADOR TO THE U.S. AND, AS A MATTER OF NATIONAL POLICY AND AT THE DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST, WE HAVE DESIGNED A PROGRAM TO COMBAT IT.

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